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SUBJ: CYPRUS CREDENTIALS PROBLEM

GENEVA FOR HARTMAN

1. UN LEGAL ADVISOR SUY ASKED ME TO CALL ON HIM THIS MRONING TO ACQUAINT US WITH APROBLEM INVOLVING CYPRIOT REPRESENTATION AT UN GENEVA. HE SAID WINSPEAR IN GENEVA HAD RECEIVED LETTER FROM NICOSIA SIGNED BY FOREIGN MINISTER DIMITRIOU APPOINTING AKIS IACOVOU AS NEW AMBAS-ADOR OF CYPRUS TO UN GENEVA. TURKS IN GENEVA IMMEDIATELY TOOK EXCEPTION TO APPOINTMENT, A MOVE WINSPEAR THOUGHT AT FIRST WAS PRESUMABLY FOR THE RECORD: TURKS HOWEVER FOLLOWED UP ORAL APPROCH WITH FORMAL NOTE TO WINSPEAR, STATING THAT THERE IS NOT AT PRESENT "A LEGALLY CONSITUTED GOVT" IN CYPRUS AND CLAIAMING THAT UNDER CYPRUS CONSTITUTION VICE-PRES HAS RIGHT TO VETO DIPLOMATIC APPOINTMENTS.

2. MATTER WASREFERRED TO NEW YORK BY GUYER ON BEHLALF
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OF WINSPEAR AND LEGAL OFFICE OF UN SEC HAS GIVEN MATTER CAREFUL STUDY. SUY SAID HE HAD CONSLUDED THAT

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TUEKY HAS NO GROUNDS TO INTERFERE IN APPOINTMENT AND
THAT UN SHOULD NOT ACCPET ATTEMPTED TURKISH INTER-
FERENCE IN APPOINTMENT OF ANOTHER MEMBER STATE OF UN.
THERE ARE MANY PRECEDENTS OF MAKARIOS HAVING MADE APPINT-
MENS WITHOUT CONCURRENCE OF VICE-PRESIDENT. UN IS NOT
IN POSITION OF RECOGINZING GOVTS OR FAILING TO
RECOGNIZE THEM. IT ACCPTS DULY PROCESSED APPOINTMENTS AND
CLERIDES IS CONSTITUTINAL SUCCESSOR TO MAKARIOS WHO, WHILE
DE JURE PRES OF CYPRUS IS NOT NOW EXERCISING
HIS FUNCTIONS . ACCORDNGLY SUY HAS ADVISED
WINSPEAR TO ACCEPT IACOVOU CRDENTIALS.

3. SUY SAID HE UNDERSTOOD GREEK GOVT WAS
ACCPETING NEW CYPRITO AMB. HE WONDERED WHETHER
TUEKS WOULD SEEK TO IMPOSE THEMSELVES WITH RESPECT THAT APPOINT-
MENT SUY UNDERSTOOD THAT GENEVA CHANGE PLANNED BY CLERIDES
AS FORERUNNER TO CHANGE OF CYPRIOT REP IN NY. SUY ANTICIPATES
THERE WILL BE PROBLEMS HERE SINCE ROSSIDES CAN BE EXPECTED
TO OPPOSE HIS OUSTER. HE SPECULATED THAT UN MIGHT BE CONFRONTED
WITH CREDENTIALS FROM CLERIDES/DIMITRIOU AND AT SAME TIME A LETTER
FROM AKARIOS RECONFIRMING ROSSIDES.

4. COMMENT: USUN AGREES THAT THERE WILL BE A FLURRY
IF THERE IS ATTEMPT TO REMOVE ROSSIDES - NO MATTER THAT
HIS DEPARTURE COULD ONLY IMPROVE CYPRIOT REPRESENTATION AND
MAKE IT MORE REPRESENTATIVE OF CHANGED CIRCUMSTANCES IN
CYPRUS. BOTH NON-ALIGNED AND SOVIETS COULD BE EXPECTED
TO MAKE AN ISSUE OF THE MATTER UNLESS MAKARIOS
BACKED CLERIDES' ACTION.
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